







Marymount Convent School
Recommended English Reading List 2022
For Primary 1 and 2 Pupils

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome your daughter to the Lower Primary! We look forward to helping your child continue to develop the skills and abilities that will enable her to become a successful, life-long learner.

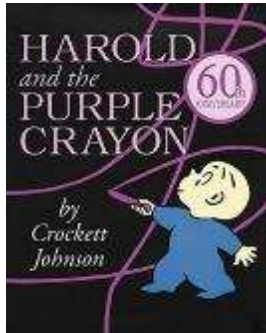
You are your daughter's first and most important teacher. Reading serves as the major foundational skill for all school-based learning. Helping your child develop into a proficient reader is a gift that will last a lifetime. These few, simple strategies and actions during the early months can make a significant difference in helping your child maintain and extend her literacy skills.

-  **Read aloud together with your daughter every day.**
-  **Take turns reading. Your daughter can read books to you, her younger siblings, and older siblings.**
-  **Older siblings can take turns reading as well.**
-  **Read your daughter's favourite book over and over again.**
-  **Don't forget to pack a book wherever you go during the holidays.**
-  **Visit the public library regularly to borrow books that are not found in the school library.**

We hope this is the beginning of an enjoyable and enriching journey for your child and you!

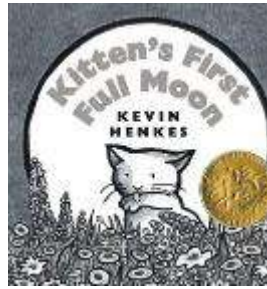
Happy Reading!

Books to Read



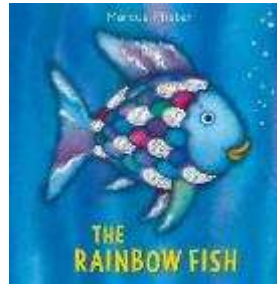
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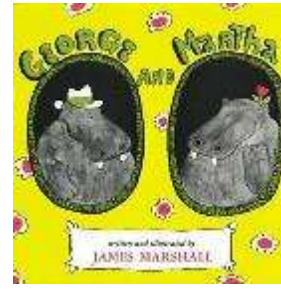
Kitten's First Full Moon

by Kevin Henkes



The Rainbow Fish

by Marcus Pfister



George and Martha

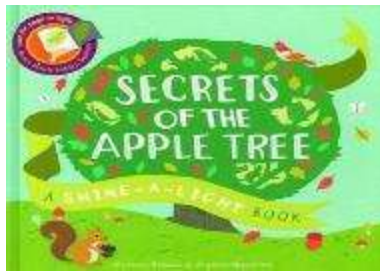
by James Marshall



The Most Magnificent Thing

by Ashley Spires

Popular Books



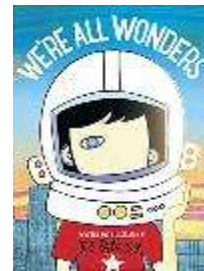
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by Carron Brown & Alyssa Nassner



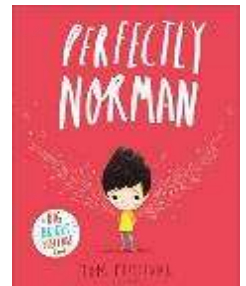
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by Julia Donaldson



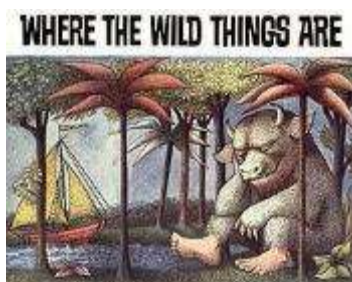
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by R J Palacio



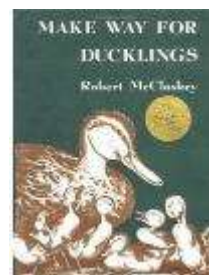
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by Tom Percival



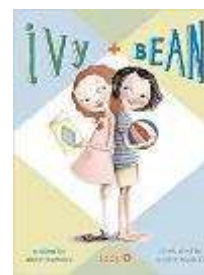
Where the Wild Things Are

by Maurice Sendak



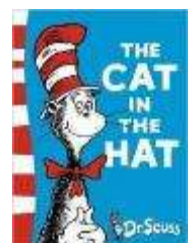
Make Way for Ducklings

by Robert McCloskey



Ivy + Bean

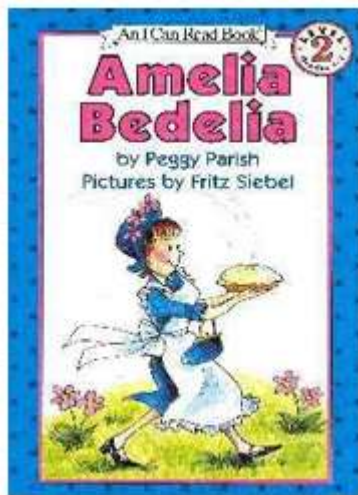
by Annie Barrows



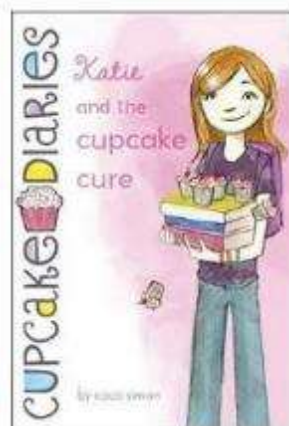
The Cat in the Hat

by Dr Seuss

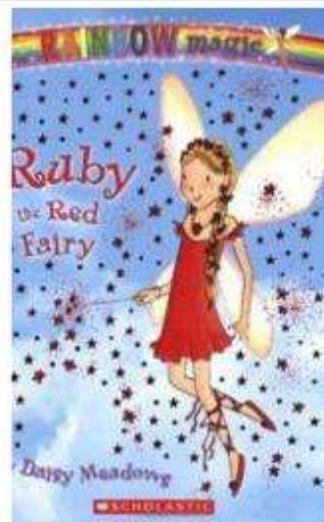
Book Series



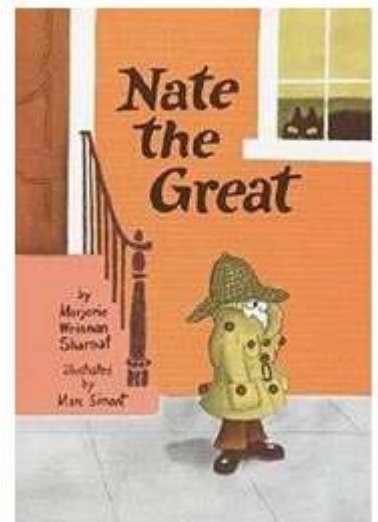
Amelia Bedelia
by Peggy Parrish



Cupcake Diaries
by Coco Simon



Rainbow Magic
by Daisy Meadows



Nate the Great
by Marjorie Sharmat

Family Read-Aloud

Creepy Carrots by Allan Reynolds

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

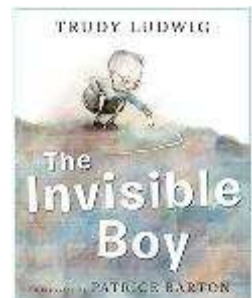
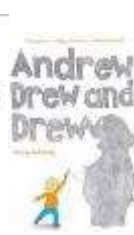
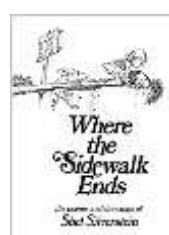
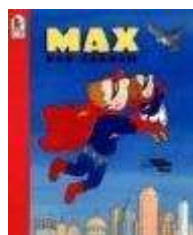
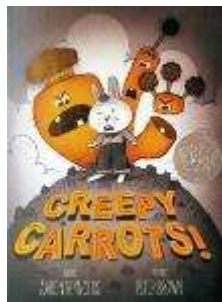
Max by Bob Graham

The Library by Sarah Stewart

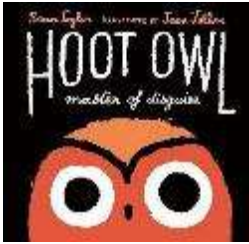
Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein

Andrew Drew and Drew by Barney Saltzberg

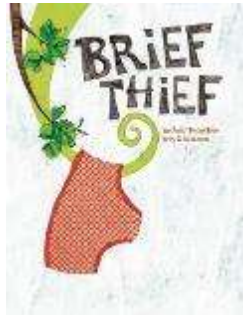
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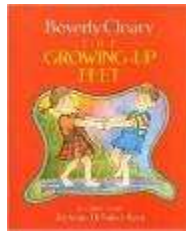
More Picture Books



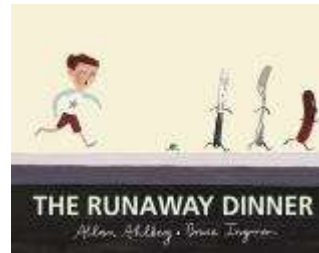
Hoot Owl – Master of Disguise by Sean Taylor



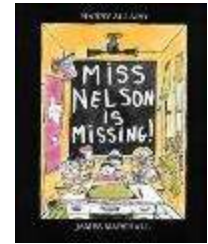
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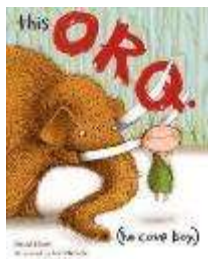
Grown-up Feet by Beverly Cleary



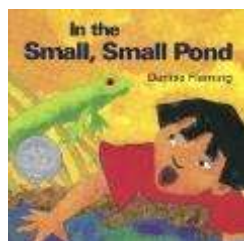
The Runaway Dinner by Allan Ahlberg



Miss Nelson is Missing by Harry Allard



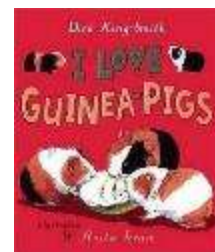
This ORQ. (he cave boy) by David Elliot



In the Small, Small Pond by Denise Fleming



The Pencil by Allan Ahlberg



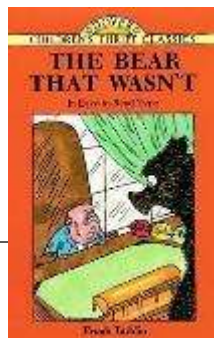
I Love Guinea Pigs by Dick King-Smith



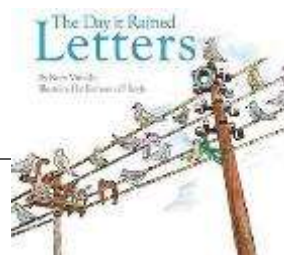
The Hueys in... It Wasn't Me by Oliver Jeffers



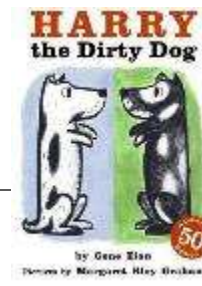
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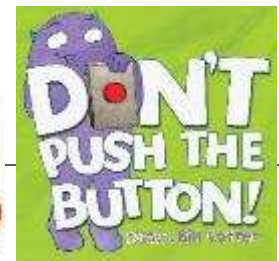
The Bear That Wasn't by Frank Tashlin



The Day it Rained Letters by Nury Vittachi

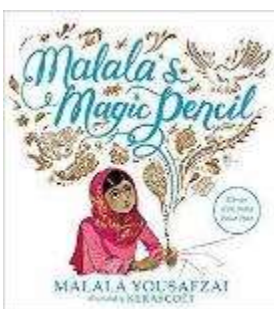


Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion

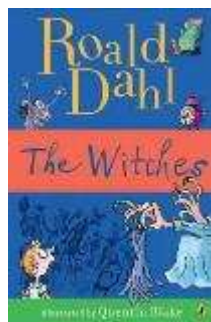


Don't Push the Button by Bill Cotter

Advanced Readers



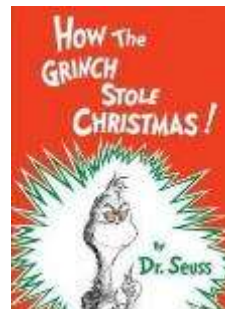
Malala's Magic Pencil by Malala Yousafzai



The Witches by Roald Dahl



Ladybird Classics

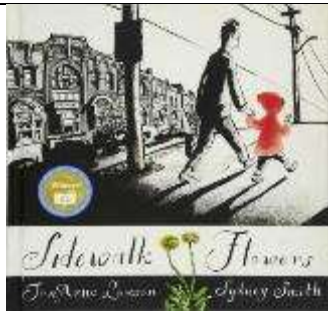


How the Grinch Stole Christmas! by Dr Seuss

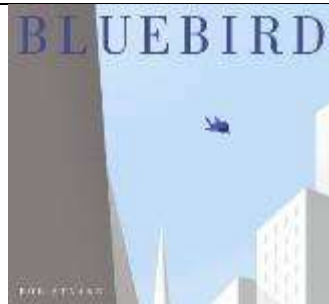


Princess in Training by Tammi Sauer

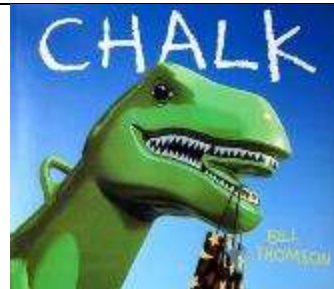
Wordless Books



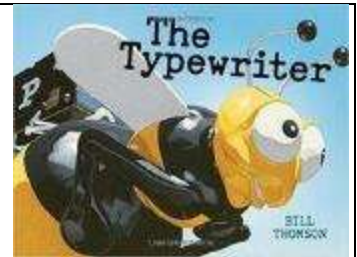
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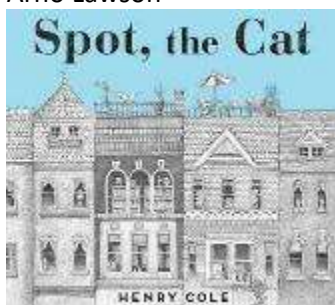
Bluebird by Bob Staake



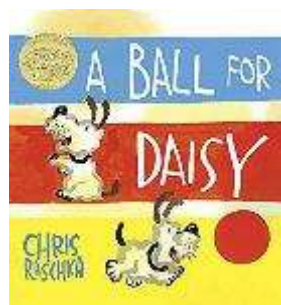
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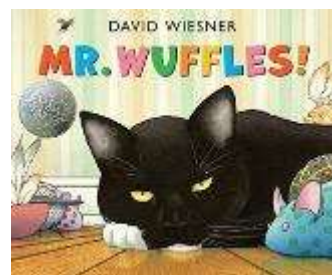
The Typewriter by Bill Thomson



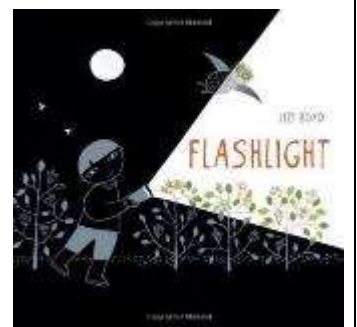
Spot, the Cat by Henry Cole



A Ball for Daisy by Chris Raschka



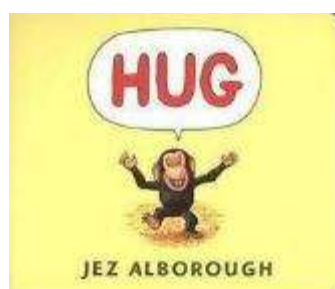
Mr Wuffles by David Wiesner



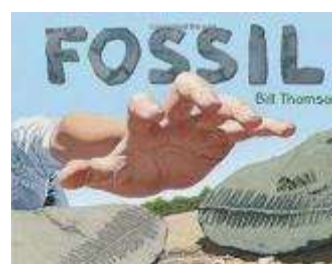
Flashlight by Lizi Boyd



Zoom by Istvan Banyal



Hug by jez Alborough



Fossil by Bill Thomson



The Girl and The Bicycle by Mark Pett

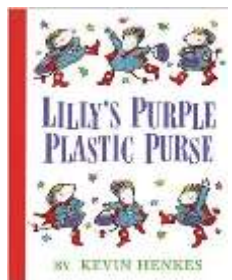
Wordless picture books are told entirely through their illustrations. Sharing wordless books with a child enables her to listen and speak, and create her own story in her own words.

Some tips for sharing wordless picture books with a child:

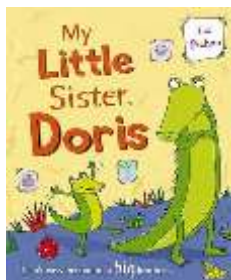
- 📖 Recognise that there are no "right" or "wrong" ways to read a wordless book.
- 📖 Spend time looking at the cover and talking about the title of the book. Predict what the story is about.
- 📖 Enjoy the illustrations. Look carefully at the expressions on the characters' faces, the setting and the use of colour. Talk to each other about the pictures.
- 📖 Encourage your child to "read" you the book with her story. Focus on the words your child uses when she tells the story.
- 📖 Expand her sentences or thoughts by encouraging her to add information from the illustration's details. Use "W" questions: Who? Where? When? Why?

Primary 2

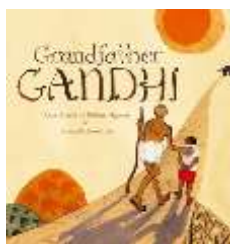
Picture Books



Lily's Purple Plastic Purse
by Kevin Henkes



My Little Sister, Doris
by Liz Pichon



Grandfather Gandhi
by Arun Gandhi

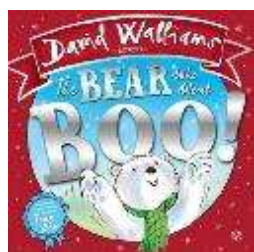


Exclamation Mark
by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

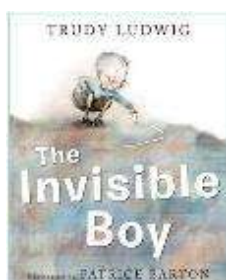


When Sophie Gets Angry – Really, Really Angry ...
by Molly Bang

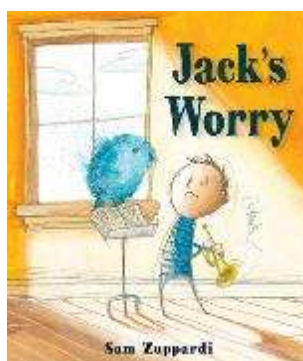
More Popular Picture Books



The Bear who Went Boo!
By David Walliams



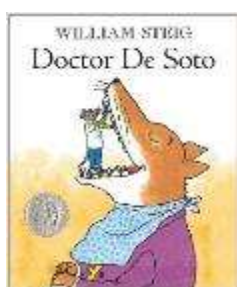
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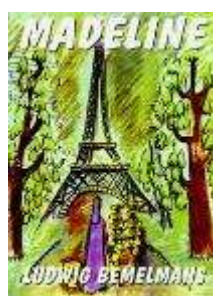
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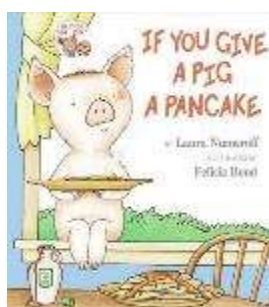
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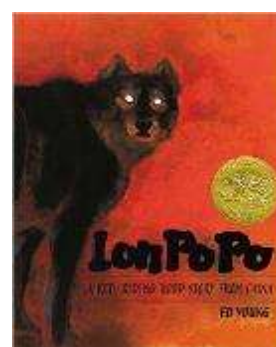
Doctor De Soto
by William Steig



Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans



If You Give a Pig a Pancake
by Laura Numeroff



Lon Po Po by Ed Young

Beginning Reader Series

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parr

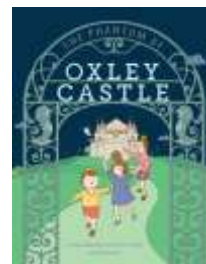
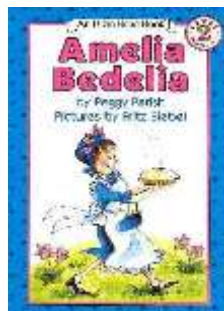
Junie B Jones by Barbara Park

Freckle Juice by Judy Blume

The Phantom of Oxley Castle

Liana Gurung, Chloe Tong,

Angee Neo



Family Read-Alouds

The Keeping Quilt by Patricia Polacco

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

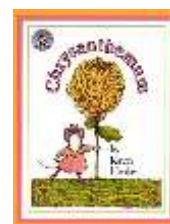
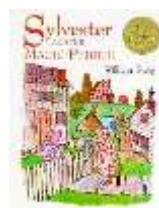
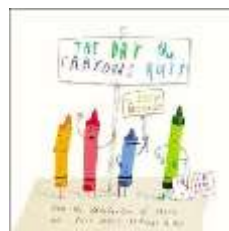
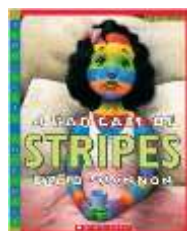
Camille and the Sunflowers by L. Anhalt

Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon

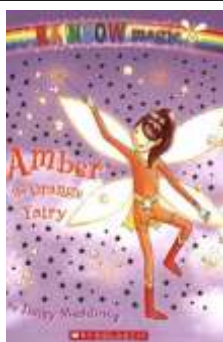
The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig

Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes



For Intermediate Readers



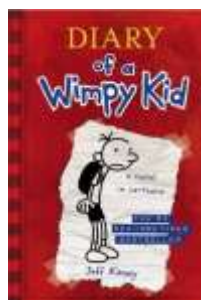
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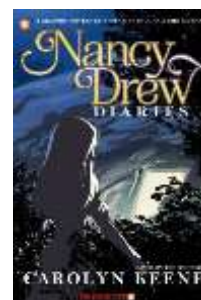
Cupcake Diaries



Geronimo Stilton

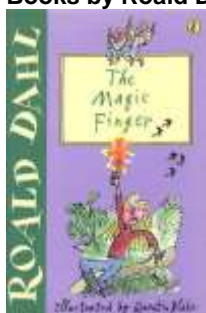


Diary of a Wimpy Kid

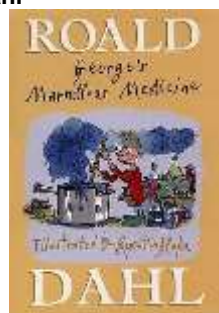


Nancy Drew Diaries

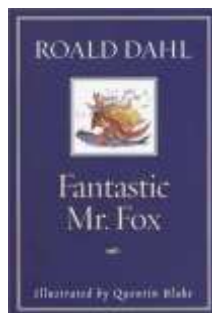
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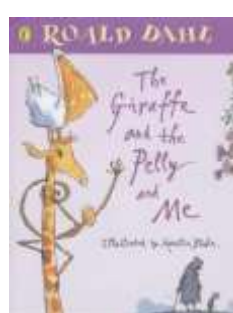
The Magic Finger



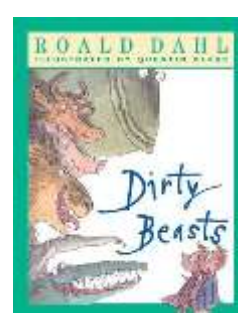
George's Marvellous Medicine



Fantastic Mr. Fox



The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me

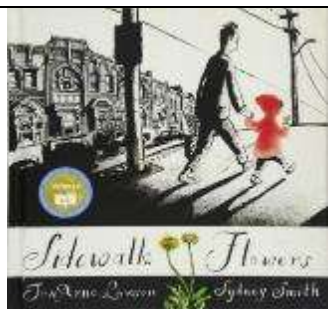


Dirty Beasts

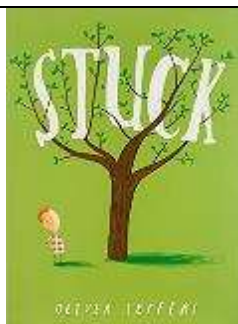


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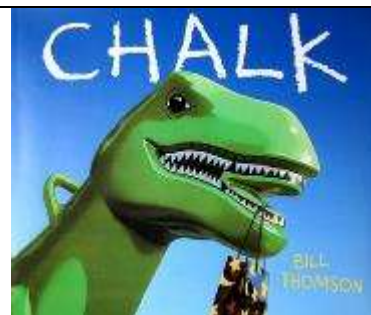
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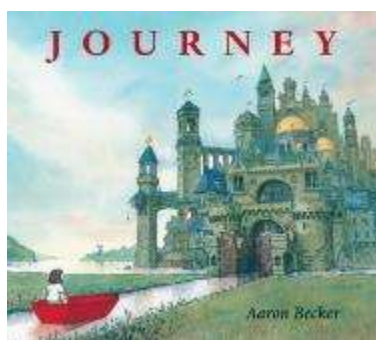
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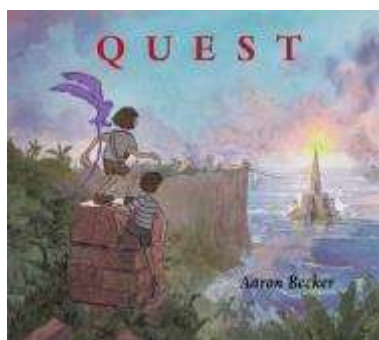
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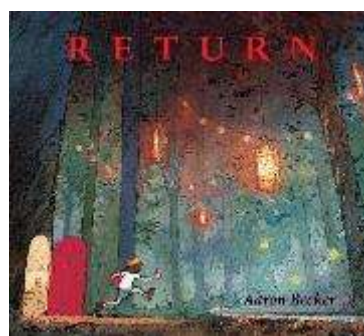
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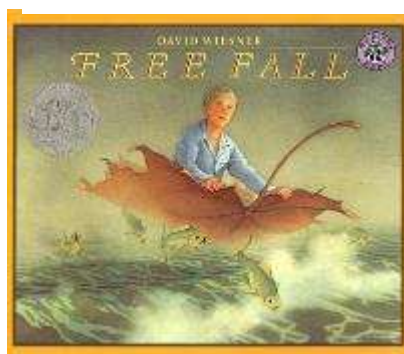
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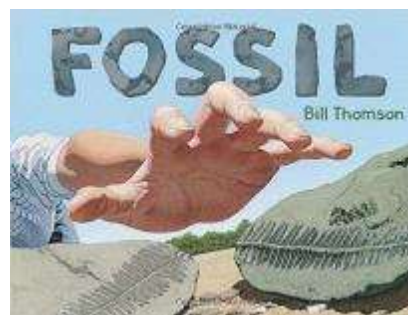
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Zoom by Istvan Banyai



Free Fall by David Wiesner



Fossil by Bill Thomson

Wordless picture books are told entirely through their illustrations. Sharing wordless books with a child enables her to listen and speak, and create her own story in her own words.

Some tips for sharing wordless picture books with a child:

- 📖 Recognize that there are no "right" or "wrong" ways to read a wordless book.
- 📖 Spend time looking at the cover and talking about the title of the book. Predict what the story is about.
- 📖 Enjoy the illustrations. Look carefully at the expressions on characters' faces, the setting and the use of colour. Talk to each other about the pictures.
- 📖 Encourage your child to "read" you the book with her story. Focus on the words your child uses when she tells the story.
- 📖 Expand her sentences or thoughts by encouraging her to add information from the illustration's details. Use "W" questions: Who? Where? When? Why?

